

REMARKS

Claims 1-58, 60 and 62 are pending in the application, with claims 1-3, 6, 9-11, 14, 33-35, 38, 41-43 and 46 being independent. Claims 1, 3-17, 19-25, 27-33, 35-49 and 51-56 have been withdrawn, leaving claims 2, 18, 26, 34, 50, 57, 58, 60 and 62, including independent claims 2 and 34, under consideration.

As required by the notice of non-compliant amendment, the currently amended claims now indicate the changes made relative to the previous amendment.


Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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